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Excise Officers Arrest 22 at Jason Aldean Concert

EVANSVILLE, Ind. (April 26) – Indiana State Excise Police officers arrested 22 people on 23 charges at last night's Jason Aldean concert at the Ford Center in Evansville.

Excise officers working in the parking lots and inside the Ford Center, 1 S.E. Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd., arrested 18 minors for illegal possession or consumption of alcohol, including a 17-year-old girl from Evansville who tested .168% BAC. Officers contacted her parents to pick her up. Another minor was arrested for illegal consumption and public intoxication after he tested .190% BAC.

Two people were arrested for false informing and one for furnishing alcohol to a minor. One juvenile was cited for possession of tobacco.

Excise police were assisted by officers from the Evansville Police Department, Vanderburgh County Sheriff's Office and Ford Center security personnel, in their joint efforts to keep Evansville residents and visitors safe.

As the enforcement division of the Indiana Alcohol and Tobacco Commission, the primary mission of the Indiana State Excise Police is to promote public safety by enforcing Indiana's Alcoholic Beverage Code. While excise officers have the authority to enforce any state law, they focus primarily on alcohol, tobacco and related laws.

All criminal defendants are to be presumed innocent until, and unless, proven guilty beyond a reasonable doubt in a court of law.